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SUBJECT: LTP Quality Assurance Procedures for TSP certified CNMP's

Purpose: To inform of Quality Assurance Procedures for TSP certified Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plans (CNMP).

Background: Technical Service Providers (TSPs) can provide assistance to develop CNMPs and to design, implement and certify conservation practices. As part of Pennsylvania's TSP Quality Assurance policy, the first product certified by a TSP in any given plan or practice category must be reviewed by NRCS personnel to insure it meets FOTG standards. This Quality Assurance can be done after practice certification and payment, and does not have to delay payment of reimbursement requests to program participants. A statewide Quality Assurance procedure has been developed so that a single review will meet requirements for any future assistance provided by that TSP for that same plan or practice anywhere in Pennsylvania. This bulletin transmits procedure to be used for CNMP Quality Assurance.

Effective Date: Effective Immediately

Action: Follow directions in attached documents to implement CNMP Quality Assurance Procedure when CNMP components are developed and certified by TSPs.

The attached references are also available on the Pennsylvania NRCS website at <http://www.pa.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/CNMP/index.html>.

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Attachments: Field Office Worksheet for TSP TechReg and State Office Verification
PA CNMP Code 100 Approval Checklist for CNMPs Completed by TSPs

